

**701—68.2 (452A) Tax rates—time tax attaches—responsible party.**

**68.2(1)** The following rates of tax apply to the use of fuel in operating motor vehicles and aircraft:

Gasoline	20.3¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2004)
	20.5¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005)
	20.7¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006)
	21¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007)
	20.7¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008)
	21¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2014)
LPG	20¢ per gallon
Ethanol blended gasoline	19¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2014)
E-85 gasoline	17¢ per gallon beginning January 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007
	19¢ per gallon (for July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2014)
Aviation gasoline	8¢ per gallon
Special fuel (biodiesel, diesel, LNG)	22.5¢ per gallon
Special fuel (aircraft)	3¢ per gallon
CNG	16¢ per 100 cu. ft.

**68.2(2)** Except as otherwise provided in this subrule, until June 30, 2014, this subrule shall apply to the excise tax imposed on each gallon of motor fuel used for any purpose for the privilege of operating motor vehicles in this state. The rate of the excise tax shall be based on the ethanol distribution percentage. The ethanol distribution percentage is the number of gallons of ethanol blended gasoline that is distributed in this state as expressed as a percentage of the number of gallons of motor fuel, excluding aviation gasoline, distributed in this state. The number of gallons of ethanol blended gasoline and motor fuel distributed in this state shall be based on the total taxable gallons of ethanol blended gasoline and motor fuel as shown on the fuel tax monthly reports issued by the department for January through December for each determination period. The department shall determine the percentage for each determination period beginning January 1 and ending December 31. The rate for the excise tax shall apply for the period beginning July 1 and ending June 30 following the end of the determination period. The rate for the excise tax shall be as follows:

<u>Ethanol Distribution %</u>	<u>Ethanol Tax</u>	<u>Gasoline Tax</u>
00+/50	19.0	20.0
50+/55	19.0	20.1
55+/60	19.0	20.3
60+/65	19.0	20.5
65+/70	19.0	20.7
70+/75	19.0	21.0
75+/80	19.3	20.8
80+/85	19.5	20.7
85+/90	19.7	20.4
90+/95	19.9	20.1
95+/100	20.0	20.0

Except as otherwise provided in this subrule, after June 30, 2014, an excise tax of 20 cents is imposed on each gallon of motor fuel used for any purpose for the privilege of operating motor vehicles in this state.

**68.2(3)** The tax attaches when the fuel is withdrawn from a terminal or imported into Iowa. The tax is payable to the department by the supplier, restrictive supplier, importer, blender, or any person who owns the fuel at the time it is brought into the state by a restrictive supplier or importer or any other person who possesses taxable fuel upon which the tax has not been paid. The tax is to be remitted to the department by a supplier, restrictive supplier, or blender by the last day of the month following the month in which the fuel is withdrawn from a terminal or imported. The tax is to be remitted by an importer by the last day of the month for fuel imported in the first 15 days of the month and by the fifteenth day of the following month for fuel imported after the fifteenth day of the previous month. Nonlicensees who possess taxable fuel upon which the tax has not been paid must file returns and pay the tax the same as a restrictive supplier (monthly). All licensees must make payment by electronic funds transfer (see publication 90-201 for EFT requirements).

**68.2(4)** The department shall determine the actual tax paid for E-85 gasoline in the previous calendar year and compare this amount to the amount that would have been paid using the tax rate imposed in Iowa Code section 452A.3, subsection 1 or 1A. If the difference is less than \$25,000, the tax rate for the tax period beginning the following July 1 shall be 17¢ per gallon. If the difference is \$25,000 or more, the tax rate shall be the rate in effect pursuant to Iowa Code section 452A.3, subsection 1 or 1A.

Beginning January 1, 2006, retailers of E-85 gasoline must file a report with the department by the last day of the month of each calendar quarter for each retail location showing the number of invoiced gallons of E-85 gasoline sold by the retailer in Iowa during the preceding calendar quarter. The report must also include a listing of the vendors providing E-85 gasoline to the retailer and the number of gallons received from each vendor. If the retailer blends E-85 gasoline, the retailer must show the number of gallons of motor fuel (including both gasoline and alcohol) purchased and blended. The report must be signed under penalty for false certificate.

**68.2(5)** Persons having title to motor fuel, ethanol blended gasoline, undyed special fuel, compressed natural gas, or liquefied petroleum gas in storage and held for sale on the effective date of an increase in the excise tax rate imposed on motor fuel, ethanol blended gasoline, undyed special fuel, compressed natural gas, or liquefied petroleum gas shall be subject to an inventory tax based upon the gallonage in storage as of the close of the business day preceding the effective date of the increased excise tax rate of motor fuel, ethanol blended gasoline, undyed special fuel, compressed natural gas, or liquefied petroleum gas which will be subject to the increased excise tax rate.

Persons subject to the tax imposed under this subrule shall take an inventory to determine the gallonage in storage for purposes of determining the tax and shall report the gallonage and pay the tax due within 30 days of the prescribed inventory date.

The amount of the inventory tax is equal to the inventory tax rate times the gallonage in storage. The inventory tax rate is equal to the increased excise tax rate less the previous excise tax rate. The inventory tax does not apply to an increase in the tax rate of a specified fuel, except for compressed natural gas, unless the increase in the tax rate of that fuel is in excess of one-half cent per gallon.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 452A.3, 452A.8 and 452A.85.